(b) and (c) The Billiards and Snooker Federation of india has indicated that it was a matter of arrangemental constraints which the playing countries had to bear with.

Delay in Construction of Youth Hostels

1195. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of youth hostels constructed so far under Youth Hostel Scheme, State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that the work of youth hostel construction projects has been badly delayed in certain States;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the fresh steps taken for speedy construction of youth hostel buildings, for which funds had been sanctioned and released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI P. RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) The State-wise details of your hostels constructed so far are given in the statement. (*See* below)

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. The Scheme of Youth Hostel has been conceived as a joint venture of the Central and State Governments. While the Central Government bears the cost of construction of the building, the State Government provides developed plot of land measuring 1.5 to 2.00 acres, free of cost, equipped with water, electricity and approach roads. In a number of cases, funds could not be released by the Central Government because of non-receipt of progress report on construction etc. In a few cases, the construction of Youth Hostels could not be started as the development works like construction of boundary wall, provision of water & electricity could not be ensured by the State Governments. Keeping the above in view, the Ministry has been pursuing the matter with State Governments at various levels from time to time including d.o. letters from the Minister of State (YA&S) and Minister (YA&S).

Statement

State-wise details of youth hostels constructed so far under youth hostel scheme

S.No.	Name of State/UT	No. of youth Hostel Constructed	Location of Youth Hostel (s)
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	4	Secunderabad, Vijayawada, Tirupathi, Visakhapatnam
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	1	Naharlagun
3.	Assam	4	Nawagaon, Guwahati, Golaghat, Tezpur.
4.	Bihar	1	Patna
5.	Gujarat	1	Gandhinagar
6.	Haryana	4	Panchkula, Kurukshetra, Bihawani, Gurgaon
7.	Himachal Pradesh	2	Dalhousie, Bilaspur.
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	3	Patnitop, Nagrota, Srinagar.
9.	Karnataka	3	Mysore, Hassan, Tirtharameshwar.
10.	Kerala	3	Trivandrum, Ernakulam, Calicut(Kozhikode)
11.	Maharashtra	1	Aurangabad
12.	Manipur	2	Imphal, Ukhrul.
13.	Meghalaya	2	Shillong, Tura.
14.	Madhya Pradesh	2	Bhopal, Jabalpur.
15.	Nagaland	2	Mokokchung, Dimapur
16.	Mizoram	1	Aizwal.
17.	Punjab	4	Ropar, Amritsar, Sangrur, Patiala.
18.	Rajasthan	2	Jaipur, Jodhpur.
19.	Tamil Nadu	4	Chennai, Madurai, Thanjavaur, Trichy.
20	Uttar Pradesh	1	Agra
21.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1	Port Blair
22.	West Bengal	3	Darjeeling, Churulia, Burdwan.
23.	Pondicherry	1	Pondicherry.
24.	Tripura	1	Agartala.
25.	Orissa	4	Puri, Joshipur, Gopalpur-on-Sea, Koraput
26.	Goa	2	Panaji, Padam Mapusa.
27.	Sikkim	1	Namchi.
28.	Uttaranchal	3	Mussoorie, Uttarkashi, Nainital.
	TOTAL	63	